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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Alzata Pincham of Chicago on April 9, 2005; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Pincham was born June 27, 1925, to Katherine Cox Henry and James Frederick Henry in Louisville, Tennessee; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating from Tennessee State University in 1947, she taught elementary school in Lexington, Mississippi; on August 31, 1948, she married R. Eugene Pincham; and

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WHEREAS, She and her husband moved to Chicago in 1948, and she continued teaching with the Chicago Board of Education until 1959 while her husband was in law school; when he began his career, she "retired" to a career of homemaker and mother; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Pincham was active in numerous community organizations throughout her life; she was a member of the Tennessee State University Vintagers 50-year alumni association, vice-president of the West Chesterfield Community Association, president of the Gillespie Local School Council, Chicago State University Taggers Association, and former Sunday school teacher at Faith United Methodist Church; and

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WHEREAS, She was a 30-year breast cancer survivor and an active member of Trinity United Church of Christ where she was a charter-founding member and president of the Can-Cer-Vive cancer survivors' ministry; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Alzata Pincham is felt by all who knew and loved her, especially her husband of 57 years, retired

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1 Illinois Appellate Court Justice R. Eugene Pincham; her
2 children, Robert, Andrea (Robert Benton), and James; her
3 sisters, Rowena Hodges (Robert) and Edith Butler (Wendell); her
4 grandchildren, Evan Eugene Pincham and Christina Pincham; and a
5 host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and lifelong friends;
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that even as her death is
9 mourned, we give thanks for the blessing of Alzata Pincham's
10 life and extend our sincerest condolences to her family,
11 friends, and community; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to her family as an expression of our deepest
14 sympathy.